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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

8th November 1881, No. 2779 W.

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Read the following paper :—

No. 45. Endorsement of the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) dated Simla, 25th October 1881, No. 382 A.—G.

Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Finance and Commerce, (Accounts and Finance—Stores), dated Simla, 10th October 1881, No. 3400.

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4. You will observe that, under these arrangements, the tenders sent in show, in each instance, the lowest price at which the contractor is willing either to supply the stores or to convey them to India; but that no abatement on account of discount is allowed for by him in calculating the cost, and that none can be expected from him on receiving payment.

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(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,
Asstt. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 45-A. Proceedings of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, (Account and Finance—Stores,) dated Simla, 11th October 1881, No. 3511.

Read again the undermentioned papers regarding the supply of stores for the public service in India:—

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Read also—

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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROVIDED
Annual Indent on England for Stores (uniform)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Division.	District.	Names of Articles.	Revenue to which cost is chargeable (Imperial, Provincial or Local).	Grant to which chargeable.	Established Proportion	How Established Proportion is calculated.
Anbulla.	Amballa ..	Blue cloth, 1st quality, for officers ..	Imperial.	Police grant for clothing.	31 yards.	1½ yards per man.
	Ludhiana.	Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	49 "	1½ "
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	106 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	718 "	1½ "
		Scarlet cloth, 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	32 "	1½ "
	Simla ..	Corduroy for breeches " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	35 "	2½ yards per man.
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	61 "	3 "
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	18 "	1½ "
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	45 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	270 "	1½ "
Anbulla.	Delhi ..	Scarlet cloth 1st " " officers ..	Do.	Do.	2 "	1 inch "
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	12 "	1½ "
		Corduroy for breeches " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	12 "	3 yards "
		Jerseys ..	Do.	Do.	181 No.	
	Gurgaon.	Capes ..	Do.	Do.	92 "	
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	50 yards.	1½ yards per man.
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	203 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	1,557 "	1½ "
	Karnal ..	Scarlet cloth, 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.		
		Corduroy for breeches " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.		
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.		
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	49 yards.	3½ yards per man.
Anbulla.	Rohtak ..	2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	27 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	56 "	1½ "
		Blue cloth. 2nd quality, for sergeants.	Do.	Do.	26 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	91 "	1½ "
	Sirsa ..	Scarlet cloth, 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	613 "	1½ "
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	28 "	
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.		
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	7 yards.	1½ yards per man.
	Perozepore.	3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	25 "	1½ "
		Scarlet cloth 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	448 "	1½ "
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	4 "	1 inch "
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	19 "	1 "
Anbulla.	Lahore.	Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.		
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	20 yards.	3½ yards "
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	85 "	3½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	225 "	3½ "
	Gurdaspur.	Scarlet cloth, 3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	1,737 "	1½ "
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	62 "	
		Blue cloth. 1st quality for officers ..	Do.	Do.	88 "	3½ yards per man
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	19 "	3½ "
	Gurdaspur.	3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	110 "	3½ "
		Scarlet cloth 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	775 "	1½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	3 "	1½ "
		Corduroy for breeches " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	20 "	2 inches "
Anbulla.	Kangra.	Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	20 "	2 "
		Jerseys ..	Do.	Do.	26 "	
		Capes ..	Do.	Do.	17 No.	3½ yards per man
			Do.	Do.	8 "	
	Muzaffargarh.	Blue cloth, 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.		
		Jerseys ..	Do.	Do.	24 yards	3 yards per man
		Capes ..	Do.	Do.	156 No.	
		Blue cloth, 2nd quality, for sergeants ..	Do.	Do.	53 "	
	Jhang ..	Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	48 yards	1½ yards per man
		Blue cloth. 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	56 "	3½ "
		2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	30 "	3½ "
		3rd " " constables.	Do.	Do.	102 "	3½ "
Anbulla.	Rawalpindi.	Scarlet cloth, 2nd " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	642 "	1½ "
		Corduroy for breeches " " sergeants.	Do.	Do.	8 "	1 inch "
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	4 "	
		Jerseys ..	Do.	Do.	46 "	
	Sialkot.	Capes ..	Do.	Do.	61 No.	3½ yards per man
		Blue cloth, 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	30 "	
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	9 yards	3 yards per man
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	10 "	3½ "
	Sharpore.	Jerseys ..	Do.	Do.	61 "	4½ yards per man
		Capes ..	Do.	Do.		
		Blue cloth, 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	482 No.	
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	241 "	
Anbulla.	D. I. Khan.	Blue cloth, 1st quality, for officers ..	Do.	Do.	10 yards	1½ yards per man
		Cloth for great coats ..	Do.	Do.	50 "	3½ "
		Ball buttons (white metal, silver plated).	Do.	Do.		
			Do.	Do.		
	For Officers.		Do.	Do.		
			Do.	Do.		
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cloth, &c.) required for the Police Department.

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NUMBER OR QUANTITY.			Rate.	VALUE OF NUMBER OR QUANTITY.		Remarks.	Shipped or under provision.	Proposed to be provided.	Remarks by Director-General of Stores.
In Store.	Due on previous Indent.	Now indented for.		Due on previous Indent.	Now indented for.				
9½ yards.	..	20 yards.							
3½ "	..	49 "							
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140 yards.	..	1,417 "							
16 "	..	54 "							
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(By Order).

(Signed) A. FILGATE, Major, R.E.,
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No. 46. ORDER THEREON, 8th November 1881, No. 2,779 W.

COMMUNICATED to Superintending Engineers for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
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THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS.

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G. O., 8th November 1881, No. 2779 W.

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Police Clothing.—Resolution of the Government of India regarding the supply of clothing for the Punjab Police, communicated to Superintending Engineers for information and guidance.

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Resolution of the
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